

Mental Health & Recovery Services July 2023 Highlights/Events

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Community Events

MHRS held/participated in 17 community educational/awareness events in July:

July Calendar events to date:

- July 1: Angels Baseball 5K Run - Anaheim
- July 2: Angel's Baseball Family Sundays - Anaheim
- July 4: Fourth of July Street Faire - Mission Viejo
- July 5: Community Suicide Prevention Coalition - Virtual
- July 8: Senator Umberg & Councilmember Leon Health and Resource Fair - Anaheim
- July 11: Didi Hirsch Virtual Press Conference
- July 16: Angels Baseball Family Sunday- Anaheim
- July 17: MHSA Planning Advisory Committee Meeting- Orange
- July 20: Rx Coalition Meeting on Opioid Prescribing Guidelines - Virtual
- July 20: D3 Fentanyl Townhall- Orange
- July 20: Treasurer Ma visit to tour CHAFFA funded projects.
- July 23: Angels Baseball Family Sunday- Anaheim
- July 26: US Vets: National Parent's Day - Anaheim
- July 26: Junior Ball High School Back to School Events - Anaheim
- July 27: Junior Ball High School Back to School Events - Anaheim
- July 29: Community Resource Fair hosted by D2 and D4 - Anaheim
- July 30: CalAssist Community Resource Event (Vietnamese Community) - Westminster

August Calendar events to date:

- Aug 1: National Night Out - Mission Viejo
- Aug 1: National Night Out- Orange
- Aug 1: National Night Out - Lake Forest
- Aug 1: National Night Out - Anaheim
- Aug 1: National Night Out - Newport Beach
- Aug 1: Angels Baseball Back to School Event - Anaheim
- Aug 2: National Night Out - Yorba Linda
- Aug 5: National Night Out - La Palma
- Aug 6: Angels Baseball Family Sunday- Anaheim
- Aug 7: Angels Baseball Activation Booth - Anaheim
- Aug 8: Angels Baseball Activation Booth - Anaheim
- Aug 9: Angels Baseball Activation Booth - Anaheim
- Aug 18: Angels Baseball Activation Booth - Anaheim
- Aug 19: Warner Wellness Center Wellness Fair - Fountain Valley
- Aug 20: Angels Baseball Family Sunday- Anaheim
- Aug 23: School Based Mental Health Summit - Costa Mesa
- Aug 23: OC Vibe Employee Health & Wellness Fair- Anaheim
- Aug 25: US Vets: National Night Out (Community Safety) - Costa Mesa
- Aug 25: OCAPICA Community Health Fair - Westminster
- Aug 26- NAMI Walks 5K- Anaheim
- Aug 27: OCAPICA Community Health Fair - Santa Ana
- Aug 27: South Baptist Church Health Fair - Santa Ana
- Aug 27: Summer Resource Fair - Anaheim
- Aug 30: D4 Fentanyl Townhall- Stanton

September Calendar events to date:

Sept 7: OCEA Health and Welfare Trust Health Fair - Santa Ana
 Sept 8: OMID Family Fun Night Event - Lake Forest
 Sept 9: 26th Annual Tustin PD Open House- Tustin
 Sept 15: Angels Baseball Tabling Event- Anaheim
 Sept 16: Recovery Happens Event-Santa Ana
 Sept 16: Angels Baseball RBI Clinic - TBD
 Sept 16: Angels Baseball Fiesta Event - Anaheim
 Sept 21: D3 Fentanyl Townhall - Villa Park
 Sept 21: ADEPT Family Day Event - Rossmoor
 Sept 26: Art of Valor Art Show - Yorba Linda
 September 27: Cypress College Walk of Hope- Cypress
 Sept 29: South Coast Chinese Cultural Center Moon Festival - TBD
 Sept 30: Angels Baseball Tabling Event- Anaheim

October Calendar events to date

Oct 7: American Federation of Suicide Prevention Out of Darkness Walk- Irvine
 Oct 8: Asian America Senior Citizens Service Center Mid-Autumn Festival - Santa Ana
 Oct 18: Vanguard University MH Fair- Costa Mesa

Program Highlights

Adult & Older Services (includes Behavioral Health housing):

- Working on five new MHSA property leases to provide housing to clients with Mental Health Disorders. These Projects are in various stages and will eventually add **96** permanent supportive housing units in OC.

Crisis Services:

- We are celebrating the one-year anniversary since the launch of the co-responder pilot which paired peer mentors with a Crisis Assessment Team (CAT) clinician to provide mobile crisis response in the field. We were able to achieve numerous successes including the ability to provide immediate support from the peer's lived experiences to effectively de-escalate crisis situations and connect individuals with appropriate resources.
- In the month of July, the Peer Mentoring program received 22 referrals for assistance connecting to on-going care post CAT co-responder contact and the number of referrals continues to rise each month.

Forensics:

- Hosted 2 CARE Court Program Overview townhalls with more than 70 total participants in attendance combined. Each event had representatives from MHRS, County Counsel the District Attorney's office and a Judge to educate on CARE Court and answer questions from the community. More events will be scheduled moving forward.

Outreach & Engagement (O&E):

- To support the increased staff who conduct their work primarily in the field, OC Outreach & Engagement received five new vehicles which will allow for the program to dispatch more teams throughout the county.

Substance Use Disorder:

- MHRS continues to have open RFA's for new contract partners to provide SUD Residential Treatment and Withdrawal Management Services.
- MHRS is providing training on the administration and deployment of the lifesaving overdose reversal medication, Narcan and Kloxxado. We work with Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation in partnership with Recovery Road on drop-in sites across Orange County for accessing this medication; in collaboration with The Purpose of Recovery, a third drop-in site is now available for the community to be trained and receive free Narcan in Tustin with training also offered in **Spanish**.
- As part of MHRS contracted SUD prevention services, WayMakers coordinated a district wide art contest for the students in the Anaheim Union High School District, and student artwork promoting "Connections over Addiction" was unveiled and featured on a Buena Park bus shelter on July 19th.

Office of Wellness & Suicide Prevention:

- During fiscal year 2022-23, the 988 Suicide and Crisis prevention lifeline answered almost 17,000 chats/texts/calls for Orange Country which was almost 2,000 more than in the previous fiscal year. Approximately 98% of these calls/chats/texts resulted in the help seeker de-escalating without requiring further intervention from emergency or other services outside of the crisis line. The Warmline also experienced an overwhelming influx of calls, shattering all previous call volume recording a total of 133,843 connections which was over 6,100 calls from FY 2021-22.

Community Education/Presentations/Interviews Dr. Kelley

7/20- Fentanyl Townhall- Orange

7/24- Key informant interview with Healthy Brains Global Initiative- virtual

7/25- CARE Townhall- Orange

7/26- CARE Townhall-Irvine

HIGHLIGHT of the Month

Through Workforce Education & Training, a year-end recap of the 1st year of a pilot Clinical Internship Training Program was completed. The program supports the development of a career pipeline to support development and interest in working in public behavioral health services. Accomplishments of the program include:

- o Interviewed and placed approximately 30 master's and doctoral level interns from local universities.
- o Provided training in therapeutic skills, case management, documentation, legal and ethical issues, and general oversight to interns along with specialized trainings including a variety of Therapeutic Modalities and Psychological Testing.
- o We partnered with HR for a workshop on how to apply for and an overview of the application and interview process for HCA.'
- o The next internship program kicks off on August 30th at the Internship Orientation.